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**TRANSMITTAL**

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-entitled patent application are the following:  
 Response to Office Action (totaling, with this Transmittal, 12 pages).

No fee is believed due for this response. Please charge any fees that may be required, to  
 Deposit Account No. 08-1641, referring to 37524-0003.

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### RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action (restriction requirement) mailed April 14, 2003, please amend the application as follows:

#### In the claims

Cancel claims 1-78, without prejudice to their refiling in this or a continuing application.

Add new claims 79 - 140 to read as follows: